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WITH AN
ABSTRACT of Their PROCEEDINGS.



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THE ASSOCIATES of the late Reverend Dr BRAY, beg Leave to represent to the Public the Nature of the Designs in which they are engaged, and to point out their beneficial Tendency; hoping that among the various Schemes calculated for promoting the common Good, Theirs also may be allowed some Merit; and, when rightly understood, be thought worthy of the favourable Regard of all generous and well-disposed Christians.

Praise given to a public-spirited Man, is not only Matter of Justice but of public Utility: His History carries along with it a moral Lesson, and the Justice done to his Memory gives Encouragement to the like Virtues: His Example must one way or other affect all; for whom it cannot instruct it will upbraid. On this Head we could speak much to the Praise of Dr BRAY, as a Person most eminent and exemplary in his Age for a truly Apostolic Zeal, as the Projector or Promoter of almost * every Scheme for the Propagation and Improvement of Christianity. But it is

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* See PUBLIC SPIRIT illustrated, in the Life and Designs of Dr Bray.

sufficient for our present Purpose to consider only those two Points, in the Management of which we are immediately interested: *viz.* **The making Provision for Parochial Libraries, and for the Conversion of the Negroes in the *British* Plantations.**

In the Year 1696, Dr *Bray* was called out by the Bishop of *London*, and appointed Commissary of *Maryland*, for the Establishment and better Regulation of Church Affairs in that Province.

Whilst he was engaged in this Employment, the first Thing that occurred to his Thoughts were the Difficulties and Discouragements under which the Clergy in that Country laboured, and the Means by which they might be removed or lessened: He considered that a competent Provision of Books was absolutely necessary, and that for want of these the End of their Mission was often disappointed. Accordingly his first Attempt was to remedy this Defect: He represented the State of the Case to the *English* Bishops, desiring their Assistance and Encouragement in procuring Parochial Libraries for the Use of the Missionaries. His Endeavours met with great Success: many Libraries were founded, not only in *Maryland*, but also in many other Provinces on the Continent, and even in some of the *American* Islands, and the *Factories* in *Africa*, and in the *East Indies*: and their Preservation was insured by solemn Acts of Assembly.

While he was thus busied in soliciting Benefactions for establishing Libraries in the Plantations, he often met with Answers to this Effect: THAT WE HAD POOR CUBES AND POOR MINISTERS ENOUGH IN ENGLAND, AND THAT CHARITY SHOULD BEGIN AT HOME. The Doctor, zealous to do Good in every Way, took Advantage of this Disposition, and improved it to the good Purpose of founding Parochial Libraries in *England*.

This Scheme also met with Encouragement. Many Libraries were founded in several Dioceses of this Kingdom.



Kingdom: and by public Authority Provision was made for their Security and Preservation. An Act of Parliament passed in the Seventh Year of Queen Anne, entitled, **An Act for the better Preservation of Parochial Libraries in that Part of Great Britain called England.** For this Depositum every Incumbent is made accountable to his Ordinary: the Possession is moreover secured from Misapplication or Embezzlement by a parliamentary Provision.

The Expediency of this Benefaction is too obvious to need any laboured Proof.

By Mr. *Elton's* Computation, made upon the Return of Small Livings to be discharged from First-Fruits and Tenths, it appeared that the Number qualified to receive the Queen's Bounty was near Six thousand, of which there are still Three thousand under Forty Pounds a Year. Now it is evident that the Incumbents of such poor Livings must necessarily labour under a Want of Books, the ordinary Means of Knowledge; and we need not point out the bad Effect of such Want with regard to the People committed to their Care; the Case of both is truly pitiable, and calls for our charitable Assistance.

The ASSOCIATES have no certain Fund for the Support of this laudable Design: it hath however been carried on to the great Advantage of many Parishes, by the voluntary Contributions of some pious Benefactors. And in Confidence that when the Nature of it is more universally known they will meet with greater Encouragement, they beg Leave to acquaint the Public that there is a Repository for Donations of this kind under the Sanction of an Act of Parliament, and to assure them that they who are invested with the Trust, are careful to make the most proper Application of every Benefaction that comes to their Hands. And as they are bold to represent their Wants, so they would humbly propose a Means of Supply, which they conceive will be found obvious
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and easy. They want Books ; — Of what Kind ? And for what End ? They want not a complete Collection, or Books for Ornament or Curiosity, but Books for Necessity and Use : Books of useful Knowledge in any of the common Branches of Learning, but more especially in Divinity, will be thankfully accepted. They take the Liberty to apply in this public Manner to those Gentlemen who have large Libraries, desiring them to consider how easily, out of their Abundance, the present Exigency may be supplied. Have they a Duplicate of any good Book ? — Have they an Edition less valuable ? — Have they Parts of Works imperfect, or any odd Volumes ? — All these, which they esteem of little Value and often throw away, would here be applied to good Purpose ; and they would become Benefactors to the Public at a small Expence to themselves. If this Consideration had its due Weight, and the Superfluities of the greater Libraries were transferred into this Repository, out of the Variety of Books of different Kinds thus gradually collected, very useful Parochial Libraries might be formed ; and Dr *Bray's* Associates would in the best manner thank their Benefactors, by making a proper Application of the Benefit.

It is to be observed, that the Libraries are of Two Kinds ;

- I. The *Fixed Parochial Library*, originally intended for the immediate Use of the Minister ; for the Preservation of which Provision is made by Act of Parliament. See APPENDIX, N° I.
- II. The *Lending Library*, intended for the Use of the neighbouring Clergy as well as of the Minister.

As the Benefit of this latter is more extensive, the Associates think themselves more especially interested in promoting this Scheme, and securing it from every Abuse : With this View they have drawn up a Set of Rules

Rules which are published, and submitted to the Readers Judgment. See APPENDIX, N^o I.

As they make their Application to the Public for the farther Encouragement of this Undertaking, they think themselves obliged to give an Account of the Progress they have made in this Branch of their Designs, which the Reader will find in the APPENDIX.

By this Account it will appear that the ASSOCIATES have done *some* Good, to say the least; with their slender Stock. If that Good should be thought inconsiderable, it should also be remembered that it was all they were able to do; and it is hoped that they who wish well to the Design will be disposed to relieve that Inability, which no religious Man can look upon without some Concern.

With Regard to the other Branch of their Trust, — **The Conversion of the Negroes in the British Plantations**, — the Case stands as followeth. — Dr *Bray* had, by the many known Instances of his Zeal for the Propagation of Christianity, recommended himself to the Esteem of Mr *D'Alone*, private Secretary to King *William*. This pious Gentleman bequeathed a certain Proportion of his Estate to Doctor *Bray* and his **Associates**, towards erecting a **Capital Fund or Stock for Converting the Negroes in the British Plantations**. This Bequest amounted to the neat Sum of Nine hundred Pounds, and was immediately vested in South Sea Annuities. By a Feoffment made by Dr *Bray* before his Death, as well as the Tenor of his Last Will, this Trust was devolved on the ASSOCIATES: and their Authority was farther Confirmed by a Decree in Chancery, 1731.

Out of the Interest of this Fund an annual Stipend was paid for several Years towards the Support of a Catechist to teach the Negroes in *Georgia*: But the strong Prejudices which adult Negroes retain in favour

your of their own Superstition, the lively Resentment they feel for the Loss of their Liberty and native Country, and the continual Labours they are forced to undergo, together with their intire Ignorance of our Language, proved almost insuperable Obstacles to their Instruction; hereupon the ASSOCIATES finding their Endeavours in this Way ineffectual, thought it adviseable to turn their Attention to the Instruction of the *Negro* Children, who being born and educated in our Colonies, and understanding our Language, may as easily be taught the great Truths of our holy Religion as *white* Children of the same Age; and where it might be reasonably hoped that the good Seed sown will take deep Root, and in due Time, with God's Blessing, bring forth a plentiful Harvest. With this View Schools for *Negro* Children have been opened in different Provinces of *America*, under the Care and Inspection of worthy Persons; who have charitably engaged to see that the Children be properly instructed in the Principles of true Religion, and that the great and necessary Duties of Obedience and Fidelity to their Masters, Humility and Contentedness with their Condition, be duly impressed on their Minds.

The good Success they have met with in this Attempt, and the Proficiency which the Children have made in the Schools already opened, so far as it hath been notified to the ASSOCIATES (see APPENDIX, No II.) have determined them to proceed in augmenting their Number, with all the Expedition that the Nature of the Undertaking will admit of; not in the least doubting but the good Providence of God will furnish them with Supplies in Proportion to their Exigencies. The Object of their Care is very extensive * as well as important, and requires much greater Aids than they are able to contribute. Their Dependence

* The *Negroes* in the *British* Plantations, on a moderate Computation, amount to near half a Million.

Dependence therefore must be on the Public, to whose Consideration they offer their Scheme, imploring them to give it the Encouragement it merits*.

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* The strict Obligation we are under to embrace every Opportunity of spreading the Knowledge and Influence of the Gospel, but more especially among the Negroes in our Plantations, is thus excellently illustrated by a very learned and judicious Prelate.

“ To illustrate the Ground and Force of this Obligation, by a
 “ similar Instance ; Let us suppose an infallible Remedy against an
 “ epidemical Disease, from which no Part of the World is at any
 “ Time absolutely free, and by which some Parts are at different
 “ Times almost depopulated ; let us suppose, I say, such a Remedy
 “ to be specially revealed to any single Person, with a plain Inti-
 “ mation, that though he was first in the Possession of the Disco-
 “ very for his own Use, yet that it was imparted to him for the
 “ Preservation of all, to whom he had an Opportunity of commu-
 “ nicating the Benefit : Suppose further, that, notwithstanding this
 “ Intimation, and his being thus trusted with the Means of restor-
 “ ing Health and Strength to Thousands, he should either hide
 “ the salutary Medicine, without making any Use of it at all, or
 “ only apply it to the Recovery of those who happened to be
 “ nearly connected with him by Relation, Neighbourhood, or
 “ Friendship ; when it was actually in his Power, without any
 “ Difficulty or Inconvenience to himself, to communicate the
 “ Cure to Multitudes, who lay at a remote Distance from him ;
 “ Would it not be a just and suitable Punishment to deprive him
 “ of the Benefit of his own infallible Remedy, when it was most
 “ wanted by himself ?

“ Now God, in the Gospel, hath revealed to us the only Re-
 “ medy that can deliver us from those universal Diseases to which
 “ all, who partake of human Nature, are alike subject. Here the
 “ Nature of the Remedy itself shews us, that God designed the
 “ Cure to be as extensive as the Case against which it is provided.
 “ The Will of God thus made known to us, lays us under a strict
 “ and formal Obligation to embrace every Opportunity of spread-
 “ ing the Benefit of that Knowledge, which instructs us what we
 “ are to do, in order to obtain everlasting Life.

“ What is it then that this Obligation calls us to do ? Is it any
 “ thing more, than to imitate that Divine Goodness, by which we
 “ ourselves are saved ; and to secure our own eternal Happiness
 “ more effectually, by informing others of the sure Means of ob-
 “ taining it ? Is it any thing more, than what the natural Sug-
 “ gestions of a benevolent Mind prompt us to perform ; and the
 “ Pleasure that springs from the Performance immediately rewards ?
 “ Is there any just Ground to complain of our being obliged to do
 “ this, or any Colour of Excuse for not doing it ? Is it an unrea-

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The Associates cannot help anticipating the good Effects of this Institution: They encourage themselves with a well-grounded Persuasion, that what is now begun on the foot of Charity, will soon be carried on by the Planters themselves on the Foot of Expediency and common Utility, in Proportion as they feel the Benefit of the Experiment. And surely it

“sonable burdensome Task, to refresh *with the Day-spring from on high those who sit in Darkness and the Shadow of Death*; and, “by administering this Comfort, to guide their Feet into the Ways of Peace? Is it a mean Employment to be Fellow-Workers with God, in forwarding the gracious Purposes of infinite Mercy? God, without doubt, could diffuse the Light of the Gospel over the Face of the whole Earth, with the same Swiftmess that Light itself is propagated. But we should reflect, that if our Endeavours to spread it, by the Use of those Means and Opportunities which he affords for that Purpose, were no more required than they are really wanted, we should be deprived of one of the most effectual Ways of working out our own Salvation.

“The Obligations I have been urging lead me to take particular Notice of one Case. It is indeed a very extensive and important one, for it expresses a total Inattention to these solemn Obligations, and gives a just Concern to all true Christians, by occasioning the Name of Christ to be evil spoken of.

“The Proprietors of Slaves in our *American Settlements*, those of them I mean from whom the Offence cometh, must be presumed to act upon some such Reasoning as this—that their Slaves are their Property by Right of Purchase; and as they were purchased, that their Bodies might be employed in the Service of their Purchasers, they have no Concern with their Souls, and therefore are not obliged to take any Care of them.

“This is a Plea, of which no human Court of Judicature can take Cognizance; but the evangelical Law of Kindness, hath in the clearest and strongest Terms decided upon it, that it is an Excuse which will heighten our Condemnation. The immortal Part of us is a Property which we cannot transfer to another; it hath but one Master, that is, God; it is subject to no Slavery but that of Sin, and to redeem it from that Slavery, the Son of God himself paid the Price of its Redemption. In this the Slave, whom we buy in the Market, hath as much a Share as the Purchasers, however we may treat him like one of the Beasts that perish at Death and are no more.

“Is it consistent with a Law of Kindness to make so harsh a Use of an external Difference in Rank or Fortune, which can
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it is a Matter of Astonishment that a Christian Planter should deliberately choose to keep his Slaves in the Darkness of Heathenism and Brutality, rather than have them led into Civility of Manners and the Light of the Gospel. Is it not unaccountable that Men who are notable for calculating every Advantage, should be so long influenced by Prejudices so ill-grounded, so

“ last but for a few Years, and which God, in making one Man
 “ to differ from another in the present Life, appointed for far other
 “ Purposes ?

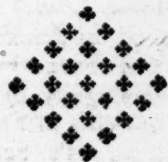
“ The Difference is now in our Favour ; let our Slaves reap that
 “ Benefit from it, which God intended they should reap ; if they
 “ do not, the Difference will be fatally inverted hereafter, when
 “ they shall be comforted, and we tormented.

“ To guard against a Change, which when it once takes Place
 “ will last for ever, let us administer to them the Comfort of know-
 “ ing what good Things God hath laid up in Store for them, if
 “ they act a right Part in that trying State of Labour, in which
 “ God hath placed them under us. By thus alleviating their hard
 “ Lot, and rendering it more easy and supportable to them, we
 “ shall gain an Advantage to ourselves : for it is the natural Effect
 “ of such Instruction, to turn the Eye-Service of Slaves, into the
 “ conscientious Diligence of Servants. If we are not sufficiently
 “ actuated by the Spirit of the Gospel to be influenced by Motives
 “ of Humanity, let prudential Reasons incline us to administer
 “ this Christian Consolation to our Fellow Creatures, who are so
 “ strictly our Property, and so absolutely in our Power, that no one
 “ else can take upon him to help them, without our Leave and
 “ Direction. For by this means a Branch of Commerce, which
 “ carries with it a Reflection upon human Nature, and is founded
 “ upon the Misery and Wretchedness of a large Part of Mankind,
 “ will become subservient to the Purposes of Benevolence and the
 “ Cause of Religion, from which it will derive the Blessings of
 “ Providence in return.

“ The Slaves themselves, if they make a right Use of the inesti-
 “ mable Benefit conferred upon them, may, in a future World,
 “ be admitted into *the glorious Liberty of the Sons of God*. Their
 “ Owners will be honoured as Benefactors to Christianity : and
 “ the more they flourish and abound in Riches, the more they will
 “ rise in a true and lasting Dignity of Character : for what Cha-
 “ racter is equal to that of being in Favour with God and Man ?”

— See Bishop of NORWICH's Sermon preached before *The Incorporated Society*, &c. February 21, 1753.

so inconsistent with the Christian Character, and so contrary to the Rules of good Policy, as well as Piety ? — But, if there be any Sense of Christianity, any Zeal for its Propagation, it is to be hoped that this Scheme of instituting Negroe Schools as a Means in order to the End, will meet with due Encouragement. It behoves Men to consider what is the Will of God in this Case ? but this seems to be sufficiently declared : “ For “ if he that was born in a Man’s House, and he “ that was bought with his Money, must needs “ be circumcised under the Law, does not common “ Sense tell us that he ought to be baptized under the “ Gospel ? ” Baptism is now the Seal of the Christian Covenant substituted in the room of Circumcision : The Reason or Obligation in one Case is the same as in the other. Why this Privilege should be denied to any Member of the Family, is hard to conceive ; it might rather be imagined that every Master should be desirous to have his Slaves Christianized, in Point of Interest as well as Duty ; inasmuch as Civility of Manners and Fidelity of Service, are the ordinary Effect of Christian Principles. — It were indeed to be wished that every Planter would consider himself as a Patriarch, the Head of a large Family in a strange Land : And as he is placed in similar Circumstances, that he would look up to the Father of the Faithful, and from the Example of his Piety take a Rule for his Direction, while in his Reward he perceives a Motive for his Encouragement.



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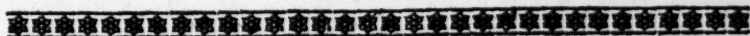
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The Better PRESERVATION of

L I B R A R I E S.



I. R U L E S prescribed by the ACT OF
PARLIAMENT for the better Preservation
of PAROCHIAL LIBRARIES.

1. **T**HAT the Orders and Rules of the Founders shall be observed and kept.
2. That every Incumbent is to enter into such Security by Bond, or otherwise, for the Preservation of the Library, and due Observance of the Rules and Orders, as the Ordinary shall think fit.
3. That the Libraries are to be visitable by the Ordinary or his Commissary, or Official, or such Persons as he shall appoint, or the Archdeacon, or his Official or Surrogate, by his Direction, who shall have free Access to the same, at any Time to be by Them appointed.

- 4. That

4. That every Incumbent, Rector, Vicar, Minister, or Curate, shall make a Catalogue of all Books in such Libraries as shall be delivered to him, within Six Months after he shall receive such Library.
5. That the Minister, within Six Months after Admission, shall make a new Catalogue of all Books remaining or belonging to the Library, and shall sign the Catalogue; thereby acknowledging the Custody and Possession of the said Books, which Catalogue is to be delivered up to the Ordinary to be kept or registered in his Court.
6. That a Book is to be kept within the said Library, for entering or registering Benefactions.
7. That upon the Death of any Incumbent the Library is to be locked up by the Churchwarden or Churchwardens, &c. and not opened till a new Minister be admitted.
8. That the Rules made by the Ordinary, together with the Donor of any Library, (if living) or after his Death by the Ordinary alone, besides such as the Donor shall judge fit to be observed, if not contrary to the Rules made by the Donor, shall be entered in a Book, to be kept for that Purpose in the said Library.
9. That Books in the Library shall not be alienable, nor any Book or Books hereafter given by any Benefactor, without Consent of the Ordinary, and then only when there is a Duplicate.

Remedy for Recovery of BOOKS Embezzled.

ACTION of Trover and Conversion may be brought in the Name of the Ordinary, and Treble Damages may be recovered with Costs of Suit.

Search may be made by Warrant from a Justice of Peace, and the Books found may be restored to the Library.

II. RULES

II. RULES prescribed by the FOUNDERS * of PAROCHIAL LIBRARIES for the better Preservation thereof.

1. **T**HAT every Incumbent of a Parish where a Library shall be placed, shall upon the Receipt of the said Library make and sign a Catalogue of all Books in the same, and shall send the Catalogue so signed to the Founders of Parochial Libraries, within a Month after the Receipt of the said Library.
2. That every future Incumbent of a Parish, where a Parochial Library is placed, shall, within Six Months after his Admission to the said Parish, make and sign a Catalogue of all the Books in the said Library, and shall send the Catalogue so signed to the Founders of Parochial Libraries.
3. That the present Incumbent and his Successors, where a Parochial Library shall be placed, shall, when required, give an Account to the Founders of the Additions made to the said Library.
4. That the said Library shall be subject to the Visitation of the Founders, or any Person or Persons authorized by them.
5. That the Incumbent do not at any Time lend any Book or Books out of the said Library.
6. That

* We are obliged to say FOUNDERS, in Justice to the Memory of several noble and worthy Personages, *viz.*

Earl of *Thanet*,
Lord Viscount *Weymouth*,
Lord *Digby*, and
Robert Nelson, Esq; &c.

Who not only assisted Dr BRAY in drawing up the Rules for the Preservation of these Libraries, but also contributed largely towards the carrying on both of *this*, and the *other* Branches of his Design.

6. That if the said Library is placed out of the Dwelling - House of the Incumbent, there shall not above Six Books at a Time remain out of the Library.

III. RULES prescribed by the ASSOCIATES for the better Preservation of LENDING LIBRARIES founded by Them.

1. **T**HAT the Library founded at _____ in the
County of _____ and Diocese of _____
is intended to be a *Lending Library* for the Use and
Benefit of such Clergymen as shall be nominated
thereto by the Trustees hereafter named, and their
Successors.
2. That the Reverend *A. B. C. D. E. F. &c.* be
Trustees of the said Library.
3. That the said Trustees do appoint some proper
Person to be Librarian.
4. That the Trustees do sign a Catalogue of the
Books, which Catalogue shall be lodged with the
Librarian.
5. That each of the said Trustees be desired to take
a Copy of the said Catalogue.
6. That upon the Death, Removal to a distant Place,
or Resignation of any one of the above named
Trustees, the remaining Trustees, or a Majority
of them, do, within the Space of Three Months,
choose another Trustee.
7. That no Person whatsoever shall have the Use of
this Library but such as are approved of by a major
Part of the Trustees.
8. That

8. That the Trustees do annually give to the Librarian a List of the Names of the Clergy, who shall be entitled to the Use of the Library for the ensuing Year, each of whom shall be allowed to take a Copy of the Catalogue. .
9. That no Person be allowed to take a Book out of the said Library, unless he first deposit with the Librarian the Value of such Book, according to the Price fixed in the Founder's Catalogue ; and that a Memorandum thereof shall be entered in a Book provided for that Purpose.
10. That such Deposit shall be forfeited to the Trustees for the Benefit of the Library, unless the Book so borrowed be returned to the Library in good Condition ; if an *Octavo* or *Quarto* in Three, if a *Folio* in Six Calendar Months.
11. That the Trustees and their Successors shall, when required, give an Account to the Founders of any Additions made to this Library.
12. That the Library shall at all Times be subject to the Visitation of any of the Founders, or any Person or Persons authorized by them.
13. That the Founders reserve to themselves a Power of making such further Rules and Orders for the better Management and Preservation of this Library, as they shall judge proper.



The exactest ACCOUNT that can at present be met with of the several LIBRARIES founded by Dr BRAY, both at Home and Abroad.

I. Of *Libraries* sent into AMERICA, and other Parts Abroad.

I. Into MARYLAND.

		No of Books.
1	To <i>Annapolis</i> — — — — —	1095
2	To <i>St Marys</i> — — — — —	314
3	To <i>Herring Creek</i> — — — — —	150
4	To <i>South River</i> — — — — —	109
5	To <i>North Sassafras</i> — — — — —	42
6	To <i>King and Queen's Parish</i> — — — — —	196
7	To <i>Christ Church, Calvert County</i> — — — — —	42
8	To <i>All Saints</i> — — — — —	49
9	To <i>St Paul's, Calvert County</i> — — — — —	106
10	To <i>Great Choptanck, Dorchester County</i> — — — — —	76
11	To <i>St Paul's, Baltimore County</i> — — — — —	42
12	To <i>Stepney, Somerset County</i> — — — — —	60
13	To <i>Porto Batto, Charles County</i> — — — — —	30
14	To <i>St Peter's, Talbot County</i> — — — — —	15
15	To <i>St Michael's, Talbot County</i> — — — — —	13
16	To <i>All Faith's, Calvert County</i> — — — — —	11
17	To <i>Nanjenny, Charles County</i> — — — — —	10
18	To <i>Piscatoway, Charles County</i> — — — — —	10
19	To <i>Broadneck Ann Arundel</i> — — — — —	10
20	To <i>St John's Baltimore</i> — — — — —	10
21	To <i>St George's Baltimore</i> — — — — —	10
22	To <i>Kent Island</i> — — — — —	10
23	To <i>Dorchester, Dorchester County</i> — — — — —	10
24	To <i>Snowhill, Somerset County</i> — — — — —	10
25	To <i>South Sassafras County</i> — — — — —	10
26	To <i>St Paul's, Kent County</i> — — — — —	30
27	To <i>William and Mary, Charles County</i> — — — — —	26
28	To <i>Somerset, Somerset County</i> — — — — —	20
29	To <i>St Paul's, Talbot County</i> — — — — —	25
30	To <i>Coventry, Somerset County</i> — — — — —	25

II. Into

II. Into VIRGINIA.

1	To the College in <i>Virginia</i> , Books to the Value of 50 <i>l.</i>	
2	To the several Parishes of the Province, to lay the Foundation of the Libraries - - - }	100
3	<i>Manicanton</i> on <i>James River</i> - - - - - }	38

III. Into the Government of NEW YORK.

1	To <i>Boston</i> in <i>New England</i> - - - - - }	221
2	To <i>New York</i> - - - - - }	211
3	To <i>Amboy</i> in <i>New Jersey</i> - - - - - }	30
4	To <i>Albany</i> - - - - - }	10

IV. Into PENNSYLVANIA.

	To <i>Philadelphia</i> - - - - - }	327
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V. Into BERMUDAS.

1	To <i>St George</i> Tribe - - - - - }	138
2	To <i>Devonshire</i> Tribe - - - - - }	115
3	To <i>Southampton</i> Tribe - - - - - }	34

VI. Into CAROLINA.

	To <i>Charles Town</i> - - - - - }	225
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VII. Into JAMAICA.

1	To <i>Port Royal</i> - - - - - }	29
2	To <i>St Andrews</i> - - - - - }	27

VIII. Into BARBADOES.

	To lay the Foundation of Parochial Libraries in the several Parishes, Books to the Value of 5 <i>l.</i> 10 <i>s.</i>	
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IX. Into St CHRISTOPHERS.

	To <i>Old Road</i> , Books to the Value of 22 <i>l.</i>	
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X. Into ANTIGUA, Books to the Value of 110*l.*XI. Into MEVIS, Books to the Value of 3*l.*

XII. Into MONSERRATT, - - - - - | 30

XIII. To Cape *Corso* Castle in *Africa*, Books to the Value of 33*l.*XIV. To BENGAL in the *East Indies*, Books to the Value of 50*l.*XV. BONA VISTA in *Newfoundland*, - - - | 50

PAROCHIAL LIBRARIES founded by Dr *BRAY*
in *England and Wales.*

In the Province of *CANTERBURY.*

Diocese.	Counties.	Towns.	N ^o of Books.
Canterbury	{ <i>Kent</i>	<i>Preston</i> - - - - -	67
	{ <i>Kent</i>	<i>Debtling</i> - - - - -	72
London	{ <i>London</i>	<i>St Botolph, Aldgate</i> -	330
	{ <i>Essex</i>	<i>Newport</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Montgomeryshire</i>	<i>Darrown</i> - - - - -	68
St Afaph	{ <i>Caernarvonshire</i>	<i>Eglwys Rhos</i> - - -	72
	{ <i>Denlyshire</i>	<i>Llanisfilio</i> - - - - -	
	{ <i>Shropshire</i>	<i>Saint Martin's in the</i>	
		<i>Hundred of Oswestry</i> }	
Bangor	<i>Caernarvonshire</i>	<i>Pwllheli</i> - - - - -	67
Bath and Wells.	{ <i>Somersetshire</i>	<i>Kilmerfdon</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Somersetshire</i>	<i>Corston</i> - - - - -	67
	{ <i>Somersetshire</i>	<i>Stowey</i> - - - - -	
Bristol	<i>Dorsetshire</i>	<i>Dorchester</i> - - - - -	67
St David's	{ <i>Cardiganshire</i>	<i>Lanbadernvaur</i> - - -	72
	{ <i>Pembrokeshire</i>	<i>Prendergast</i> - - - - -	72
Ely	<i>Cambridgeshire</i>	<i>Dullingham</i> - - - - -	72
	<i>Cornwall</i>	<i>Leiwithiel</i> - - - - -	72
Exeter	{ <i>Devonshire</i>	<i>Slopton</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Devonshire</i>	<i>Kingsbridge</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Gloucestershire</i>	<i>Flaxley</i> - - - - -	72
Gloucester	{ <i>Gloucestershire</i>	<i>Oxenhall</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Gloucestershire</i>	<i>Brockthorpe</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Herefordshire</i>	<i>Weobly</i> - - - - -	67
Hereford	{ <i>Monmouthshire</i>	<i>Monmouth</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Monmouthshire</i>	<i>Trevelthin</i> - - - - -	72
Landaff.	{ <i>Monmouthshire</i>	<i>Newport</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Monmouthshire</i>	<i>Chepstow</i> - - - - -	72
Litchfield and Coventry	{ <i>Salop</i>	<i>Dudliston</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Staffordshire</i>	<i>Brewood</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Warwickshire</i>	<i>Overwhitacre</i> - - -	72
Lincoln	{ <i>Huntingdonshire</i>	<i>St Neots</i> - - - - -	72
	{ <i>Leicestershire</i>	<i>Shepshhead</i> - - - - -	
Norwich	{ <i>Suffolk</i>	<i>Sudbury</i> - - - - -	66
	{ <i>Norfolk</i>	<i>Northwalsam</i> - - -	67

Peterborough

Diocese.	Counties.	Towns.	N ^o of Books.
Peterborough	Northamptonshire	Harrowdown parva -	67
	Northamptonshire	Irbthlingborough - -	72
	Northamptonshire	Oundle - - - - -	72
	Northamptonshire	Woolaston - - - - -	72
Winchester	Hampshire	Whitchurch - - - - -	
	Worcestershire	Feckenham - - - - -	72
	Worcestershire	Elmly - - - - -	72
Worcester	Worcestershire	Evesham - - - - -	67
	Warwickshire	Henly - - - - -	67
	Warwickshire	Alcester - - - - -	74
	Staffordshire	Oldbury - - - - -	72

In the Province of YORK.

York	Yorkshire	Tinsley - - - - -	
	Yorkshire	Belfertone - - - - -	72
	Yorkshire	Wentworth - - - - -	67
	Yorkshire	Mask - - - - -	
	Yorkshire	Burlington - - - - -	72
	Yorkshire	Tadcaster - - - - -	66
	In Cleveland.	Skelton - - - - -	
Durham	Yorkshire	St Leonard's in New Malton	
	Northumberland	Alnwick - - - - -	68
	Bishoprick	Darlington - - - - -	72
Carlisle	Cumberland	Wigton - - - - -	66
	Cumberland	Kirkoswold - - - - -	66
	Westmoreland	Bampton - - - - -	67
	Cumberland	Brough by Sands - - -	72
Chester	Cumberland	St Bees - - - - -	67
	Lancashire	Poolton - - - - -	


In justice to the Memory of Dr *Bray's* indefatigable Zeal to promote the Knowledge of true Religion, it is proper to observe, that besides founding the above mentioned Libraries, he sent into *America* upwards of Thirty-four Thousand Religious Books and Tracts, to be dispersed among the Inhabitants; and also founded Sixty-seven Lending Catechetical Libraries in *England* and *Wales*, and Sixteen in the *Isle of Mann*.



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N^o I.

 H E ASSOCIATES in their last Year's Report informed the Public, that a Collection of Books had been sent to the Free School at *Deuddwr* in *Montgomeryshire*, towards founding a Lending Library for the Use of the neighbouring Clergy; whose Letter of Thanks for this Donation came too late to be inserted in our last Report and is as follows :

To

To the Worthy ASSOCIATES of the late Dr BRAY.

GENTLEMEN,

THE valuable Present of Books you lately sent to be deposited at the Free School of *Deuddwr*, for the Use of the neighbouring Clergy, calls for our most thankful Acknowledgements. We are fully sensible of the Necessity of Books, to enable us to furnish our Minds with a Competency of such Knowledge, in the great Doctrines of our holy Religion, as is requisite to qualify us in any Measure for the Duties of our Function, the Instruction of those committed to our Charge, and the Conviction of Gainsayers.

The judicious Collection, with which you were pleased to supply us, together with a considerable Number of very useful Books given in Aid of it by the late *Isaac Clopton*, Esq; of which a Catalogue was sent you some time ago, form, both together, a small Library, than which there are very few better in this Part of the Country; and which, being diligently read and perused, will be sufficient to render us *able Ministers of the New Testament*: And if we do not make a proper Use of them, the Fault must lie at our own Doors, and our Ignorance be without Excuse.

We take this Opportunity of informing the SOCIETY, of what they will rejoice to hear, concerning the flourishing State to which one of their Libraries is now grown in this Diocese; namely, that which Dr *Bray* in his Life-time, together with his ASSOCIATES, laid the Foundation of at *St Asaph*, the Episcopal See. This had several Additions made

made to it, from time to time, by Bishops of the Diocese, and other Benefactors. And last Year the abovementioned *Isaac Clopton*, Esq; being then living, sent his own very valuable Library, consisting of above Twelve hundred Books, as a Present to the Library of *St Asaph*, the Duplicates of them being what he ordered to be deposited here. *St Asaph* Library now consists of above Two thousand very useful Books, mostly in Divinity: And a Subscription is made for fitting up a Room adjoining to the Cathedral, in a handsome manner, for their Reception. That these, and other, the pious Designs of the SOCIETY, whithersoever they are carried, may always be blessed with Success and Prosperity, is the joint Prayer of

Their much obliged,

humble Servants,

William Worthington, Vicar of *Llanrhaiadr*.

Griff. Evans, Vicar of *Llanfaintfraid*.

Ranöolph Parry, Vicar of *Guildsfield*.

Matthew Worthington, Schoolmaster of *Deuddwr*.

Robert Parry, Curate of *Guildsfield*.

Sam. Lloyd, Rector of *Llanymynach*.

John Williams, Vicar of *Blodwell*.

——— *Price*, Vicar of *Myfod*.

John Jones, Curate of *Llanfechen*.

From the Free School at *Deuddwr*,
in the County of *Montgomery* and
Diocese of *St Asaph*, Sept. 1767.

The Additions already made to this and one or two more Libraries founded by the ASSOCIATES, induce them to hope that other Libraries also may in like manner be considerably augmented with useful Books in the various Branches of Learning, and become fruitful Sources of Knowledge to all who have Access to them. At present the ASSOCIATES have it in their Power only to lay a good and useful Foundation, but must leave the Superstructure to be raised and completed by the Generosity of future Benefactors.

The following Petitions were lately presented to the ASSOCIATES, who have resolved, that a suitable Collection of Books be provided, in order to found Libraries agreeable to the Tenour of the said Petitions.

To the Worthy the ASSOCIATES of the late
DR BRAY.

GENTLEMEN,

HAVING been informed, that among your other good and charitable Designs, you have erected several Lending and Parochial Libraries, in Places where you were informed they were most wanted, in this as well as in other Parts of the Kingdom; and as we are persuaded you will not be displeased at an Application for the like Benefit of your Bounty, where you might be satisfied it would be properly bestowed; We whose Names are hereunto subscribed, do humbly conceive, that a Lending Library could not be any where more commodiously placed than at *Llanfair*, a small Market Town in the County of *Montgomery* and Diocese of *St Asaph*, where it would be very useful for ourselves and others among the Clergy of this Neighbourhood,

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most of whom are but slenderly provided with Books, or with the Means of providing them.

We therefore beg Leave to become Petitioners for such a Benefaction, which we shall always retain a grateful Sense of, and think ourselves bound to pray for the Success of your pious Undertakings.

Tbo. Wynn, Vicar of Llanfair.

H. Tamberlain, Rector of Llangynmeis.

Rod. Jones, Rector of Llanmyrewig.

William Evance, Rector of Newtown.

Edward Davies, Rector of Manavon.

John Price, Curate of Llanllwchaiarn.

William Davies, Curate of Poole.

William Williams, Curate of Castle.

John Williams, Curate of Guildsfield.

David Lewis, Curate of Lanllrgan.

Morgan Richards, Curate of Tregynnan.

Thomas Baker, Curate of Llanerfyl.

John Owen, Curate of Llanwythelan.

March 1768.

*To the Reverend and Worthby ASSOCIATES of the
late DR BRAY.*

GENTLEMEN,

I Have been so free some Years ago, as to take the Liberty to address you in behalf of several Clergymen in this Part of the Country, who stood in want of Parochial Libraries; and you have been so very obliging and benevolent as readily to comply with the Request I then made you; in consequence of which Parochial Libraries have been founded in their respective Parishes, to their great Comfort and Benefit. But there being still several Parishes where the Clergy who officiate therein, stand in equal Need of the like Blessing; and who, by reason of the Scantiness of their Incomes, are
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not of Ability to procure themselves such a Collection of Books as are sufficient to afford them Instructions, adequate to the important Charge they are engaged in.

Permit me, therefore, to solicit you in their Behalf, and to make it my Request to you to be so good as to take the Case of the Clergy of the underwritten Parishes under your Consideration, and to favour them with such a Collection of Books, as you in your Discretion shall deem most useful and expedient. If it please GOD to continue my Life, you may rest assured that my Endeavour shall not be wanting to have your Donations, in this Neighbourhood, established with strict Fidelity, agreeable to your Directions. I am,

Llangatben,	}	Carmarthenshire.	With most sincere Regard,
St Clears,			
Llanewydd,			
Llanwnda,	}	Pembrokeshire.	GENTLEMEN,
Egermond,			
Narbeth,			
Llandeuriog,	}	Cardiganshire.	Your most obedient and
Bangor,			
			most obliged humble Servant,

Llanboidy in Carmarthenshire,
April 12, 1768.

Howell Howell.

From several Letters of Thanks, which have been sent to the ASSOCIATES for the Libraries they have established, it appears that such Libraries are very *acceptable* to the several Clergy who happily partake of the Benefit of them; and how *useful* we need not add, when it is well known that they have scarce any other Means of improving themselves in sacred Knowledge. When they are once possessed of these necessary Helps, the Clergy will be induced to apply themselves to the Study of the Scriptures with more Diligence, and thence be enabled to convey their Instruc-

tions with more Weight and Perspicuity to their People. The People, better instructed and improved, will reflect, in return, more Regard and Reverence on their Pastors, and pay a more willing Deference to their Counsels and Admonitions. And thus both Clergy and People will mutually and amicably rejoice together, and triumph in each others Felicity; a Felicity that is likely to be perpetuated, by the Establishment of such Libraries, to future Generations; nay, likely to increase, if the Associates should be enabled, by the kind Assistance of the Well-disposed, to enlarge their Supplies, and extend this Method of Religious Improvement. In this Light we have such a striking View of the Utility and Importance of these Endowments, as encourages us to hope that all who desire to promote the Knowledge and Practice of true Religion, will generously assist us in the further Prosecution of this good Work.



Lending Libraries founded by the ASSOCIATES.

In the Year.	Towns.	Counties.	Diocese.	N ^o of Books.
1753	Ulverstone	Lancashire	Chester	— 213
1757	Carleon	Monmouthshire	Llandaff	— 170
1757	Old Hutton School	Westmoreland	Chester	— 392
1758	Bampton School	Westmoreland	Chester	— 363
1760	Landaff	Glamorganshire	Llandaff	— 188
1762	Cockermouth	Cumberland	Chester	— 180
1763	Bala	Merionethshire	Bangor	— 217
1764	Kilmaenllwyd	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	— 123
1764	Lancaster	Lancaster	Chester	— 216
1765	Cardigan	Cardiganshire	St Davids	— 182
1766	Heversham	Westmoreland	Chester	— 160
1766	Deuddwr	Montgomeryshire	St Asaph	— 130
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Parochial Libraries founded by the ASSOCIATES.

In the Year.	Towns.	Counties.	Diocefe.	N ^o of Books.
1757	Witber Slack	Westmoreland	Chester	— 48
1757	Woodplumpton	Lancashire	Chester	— 49
1757	Starwely	Lancashire	Chester	— 45
1757	Dalton	Lancashire	Chester	— 50
1757	Lowick	Lancashire	Chester	— 42
1757	Ellel	Lancashire	Chester	— 47
1757	Admarfb	Lancashire	Chester	— 41
1757	Poolton	Lancashire	Chester	— 51
1757	Silverdale	Lancashire	Chester	— 50
1757	Thwaites	Cumberland	Chester	— 47
1757	Ingleton	Yorkshire	Chester	— 57
1757	Asbrigg	Yorkshire	Chester	— 43
1757	Waberthwaite	Cumberland	Chester	— 37
1757	Wytborpe	Cumberland	Chester	— 41
1757	Secmuri by	Cumberland	Chester	— 38
1757	Selfside	Westmoreland	Chester	— 36
1757	Crook	Westmoreland	Chester	— 38
1757	St Thomas Parish	Orange County	Virginia	— 64
1760	Ford	Salop	Hereford	— 105
1761	Ravenstonedale	Westmoreland	Chester	— 18
1761	Mollerflang	Westmoreland	Chester	— 16
1761	Croscrake	Westmoreland	Chester	— 34
1761	Pilling	Lancashire	Chester	— 34
1761	Gressingham	Lancashire	Chester	— 20
1761	Lindale	Lancashire	Chester	— 34
1761	Bolton by the Sands	Lancashire	Chester	— 32
1761	Hoole	Lancashire	Chester	— 18
1761	Littledale	Lancashire	Chester	— 22
1761	Leck	Lancashire	Chester	— 31
1761	Cockerham	Lancashire	Chester	— 27
1761	Ulpba	Cumberland	Chester	— 38
1761	Arkengathdale	Yorkshire	York	— 18
1761	South Cowton	Yorkshire	York	— 29
1761	Trinity Chapel	Richmond	York	— 18
1761	Woodbridge	New Jersey	America	— 50
1762	Hanover Parish	K. George County	Virginia	— 20
1764	Llanwnnog	Montgomeryshire	St Asaph	— 33
1765	Brunswick	North Carolina	America	— 26
1765	Llanwinio	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	— 34
1765	Treleach	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	— 37
1765	Abernant	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	— 35
1765	Penboy	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	— 35
1765	Llanvihangel Yeroth	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	— 35
1765	Llandysfil	Cardiganshire	St Davids	— 37

Carried over — 1660

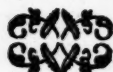
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In the Year.	Towns.	Counties.	Diocese.	N ^o of Books.
			Brought over	1660
1765	Llandeilo	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	35
1765	Llanwynn	Cardiganshire	St Davids	36
1765	Lampeter	Cardiganshire	St Davids	35
1765	Kellan	Cardiganshire	St Davids	36
1765	Trevelan	Cardiganshire	St Davids	34
1765	Kilie-Ayren	Cardiganshire	St Davids	35
1765	Llanbadarn Trefeglwys	Cardiganshire	St Davids	35
1765	Llandewi Aberarth	Cardiganshire	St Davids	36
1765	Brunswick	North Carolina	America	42
1766	Wafdale-Head	Cumberland	Chester	16
1766	Field-Broughton	Lancashire	Chester	19
1766	Hadrow	Yorkshire	York	12
1766	Grayrig	Westmoreland	Chester	18
1766	Llanlwchajarn	Cardiganshire	St Davids	35
1766	Llanarth	Cardiganshire	St Davids	34
1766	Llandisfilio Gogof	Cardiganshire	St Davids	35
1766	Laugharn	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	35
1766	Landawek	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	36
1766	Eglwys Cymmun	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	35
1766	Llandowror	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	35
1766	Kiffig	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	35
1766	Llandilo Vawr	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	34
1766	Llanegwad	Carmarthenshire	St Davids	34
1766	Chydey	Pembrokeshire	St Davids	35
1766	Little Newcastle	Pembrokeshire	St Davids	37

Total of Books given in *Parochial Libraries* — 2469

Total of Books given in *Lending Libraries* — 2534

In all — 5003



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Last Year the ASSOCIATES received the following Accounts from their Correspondents in *America*.

NEW YORK.

THE Rev. Dr *Auchmuty*, Rector of *New York*, in a Letter dated *May 1*, 1767, saith,—The Negroe School is still full, and the young Blacks are very constant in their Attendance, and improve in their Learning. The Day before the Date he visited the School, catechized the Children, heard them their Prayers, examined their Work; all which gave him Pleasure. The Mistress attends her Duty with great Faithfulness, and is very adroit at her Business. Those who have left the School after proper Instructions, attend every Sunday Evening on Mr *Ogilvie*, with the adult Blacks, and are catechized; and the Dr says, he hath the Pleasure to inform us, that he hath not heard of one among them that hath turned out bad.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Rev. Mr *Browne* of *Newport*, in a Letter dated *June 4*, 1767, says,—That no Endeavours of his shall be wanting to promote the charitable Work of training up the young Blacks in the Knowledge of our holy Religion. He hath the Satisfaction to inform us, that the School continues in a promising Way, the Number of Scholars is complete, though some few have left the School. Their Improvement is satisfactory, some of them read tolerably well, and the Girls acquit themselves well both in Sewing and Knitting, neither are they deficient as to their Prayers and Catechism; many of them

them having answered in Church during the last Lent, in a manner that sufficiently demonstrated them to be capable of Instruction. He visits them frequently, and is, he believes, a very proper Check on the *Mistress*. He concludes with desiring a Supply of Books for the Use of the School; which hath been sent.

VIRGINIA.

The Reverend Mr *Boucher* Rector of *St Mary's, Caroline County*, in a Letter, without a Date, received in *August 1767*, gratefully acknowledges the Assistance he hath received from the ASSOCIATES. The Negroes in his Parish are too numerous for the Church to contain were they all constantly to attend Divine Service. He believes however that there are as many, if not more, Blacks in his Congregation than in most others, insomuch that during the hot Summer Months they are much-complained of by the Whites. In his Parish the Blacks are regularly and universally baptized, and the Number of Communicants among them constantly encreases. Yesterday, says he, I distributed among them upwards of Two Dozen Books, so that at this Time the Stock you sent me, though pretty considerable, is almost disposed of.

Robert C. Nicholas, Esq; of *Williamsburgh*, says, in a Letter dated *Dec. 1, 1767*, That the *Mistress* is diligent as usual, and the Children are managed in the manner formerly mentioned.

No Account of the School at *Fredericksburg* hath been received last Year.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Reverend Mr *Barnett* of *Brunswick*, says, in a Letter dated *August 17, 1767*, He fears he shall not be more successful in his Endeavours for the Establishment of a Negroe School than Mr *Lewis*

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De Rosssett * was; that no one is more earnestly desirous of such an Institution than himself, nor hath any one struggled with more Difficulties, solely arising from the unhappy Prejudices of the People. He had agreed with a Widow of good Character some Months since, and had proposed to open a School with so small a Number as Fifteen, but he could not make up more than Eight or Nine; therefore he must for a Time drop the Design. He had agreed with the Mistress to teach the Girls to Sew, Knit and Mark, thinking that might induce People to send young Female Negroes; but to his great Concern, he finds they would rather their Slaves continued in their Ignorance. In a Place Thirty Miles off, where he officiates Nine times in a Year, a great Number of Negroes always attend with much seeming Devotion; of them he baptized Twelve Adults, and Seventeen Children.

Several among them can Read, and having promised to take Pains to instruct such of their Fellow-Slaves as are desirous to learn, he had given to them many of the ASSOCIATES Books.

P E N S Y L V A N I A.

The Rev. Mr *Sturgeon*, the late worthy Inspector of the Negroe School in *Philadelphia*, having left that City; Messieurs *Duffield* and *Hopkinson* were requested, and readily agreed, to undertake that charitable Office, and have favoured us with an exact Account of the present State of the School, as delivered to them by Mrs *Ayers* the Schoolmistress: Who says, that from the Time of her Appointment to that Office, *Nov. 20, 1764, to March 24, 1768,* Fifty-nine Negroe Children had been admitted; that at present Twenty-seven attended; whereof Three are in the Bible, One in the Testament, Two

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* This Gentleman about two Years ago endeavoured to establish a School at *Wilmington*, but without Effect.

in the Fables, Nineteen in Spelling, and Two learning the Alphabet; that of these Twenty-seven, Nineteen are Slaves, and Eight free; and that Ten of them can say their Catechism pretty well.

The ASSOCIATES return their Thanks to Mr *Sturgeon* for his past kind Services.

BERMUDA ISLAND.

The ASSOCIATES being informed, by a Letter from the Rev. Mr *Lyttleton*, that there are above Two thousand Negroes in his Parish; and that in his Opinion a School, for the Instruction of the young ones, might be of great Service; have resolved that Mr *Lyttleton* be requested to establish a School there, which it is not doubted he will endeavour to effect as soon as he can; and for this Purpose a Box of Books is ordered to be sent by the first Opportunity.

NEGROE SCHOOLS supported by the ASSOCIATES.

Begun in the Year.		N ^o of Children.
1758	One at <i>Philadelphia, Pennsylvania</i>	30
1760	One at <i>New York</i>	30
1760	One at <i>Williamsburgh, Virginia</i>	30
1762	One at <i>Newport, Rhode-Island</i>	30
1765	One at <i>Fredericksburgh, Virginia</i>	30

In all — 150

To these Schools others shall be added with all convenient Speed; and we humbly hope, that the same good Providence which hath wonderfully prospered the many charitable Institutions of the present Age, will likewise bless this pious Undertaking, and raise up Friends for its Support and Encouragement. Indeed every sincere Christian, who duly considers how evidently this Design tends to promote the Glory of God, and the Interests of Religion, not to say the Honour of our Nation, will naturally be induced to add his Influence, and join his Endeavours to those who are engaged in this Labour of Love.

A LIST of the ASSOCIATES,

For making Provision for PAROCHIAL
LIBRARIES, and for Instructing the
NEGROES in the *British* Plantations.

N.B. *The first Twenty-nine are Trustees for Mr D'ALONE's
Bequest, pursuant to the Decree of the Court of Chancery.*

THE Honourable *James Oglethorpe*, Lieutenant
General.

Robert More, Esq;

Reverend *Dr Burton*, Fellow of *Eton College*.

Rev. *Dr Thomas Wilson*, Prebendary of *Westminster*.

Rev. *Mr Berriman*, Rector of *St Alban, Wood-street*.

Reverend *John Waring*, M. A.

Reverend *Mr Twells*, *Sussex*.

Reverend *Thomas Skinner*, M. A.

Reverend *Dr Ashton*, Fellow of *Eton College*.

Reverend *Mr Welles*.

Peter Le Keux, Esq; *Spitalfields*.

Mr John Spiller, *Spitalfields*.

Mr Joseph Waring, *Westminster*.

Mr Joshua Readshaw, *Austin-friars*.

Mr John Moore, *Spitalfields*.

Reverend *Dr Dixon*, Principal of *Edmund Hall, Oxon*.

Reverend *Mr Dixon*

Mr Thomas Nixon, *Lombard-street*.

Mr Samuel Waring, *Westminster*.

Benjamin Franklin, Esq; L. L. D. *Philadelphia*.

Richard Morhall, Esq; *King's Road, Bedford Row*.

Reverend *Mr Parfett*, Fellow of *Oriel College, Oxon*.

Samuel Johnson, M. A.

Reverend *Dr Owen*, Rector of *St Olave, Hart-street*.

Reverend *Brooke Heckstall*, M. A. Rector of *St Ann's,
Aldersgate*.

Anthony Bacon, Esq; Copthall Court.
Thomas Triquet, Esq; Spitalfields.
Reverend Juckes Egerton, M. A.
Mr Joseph Waring, jun. Lambeth.
Mr William Straban, New-street.
George Garrat, Esq; Goodman's Fields.
Reverend Mr Yardley, Archdeacon of Cardigan.
Thomas Powys, Esq; Berwick, Shropshire.
Reverend William Worthington, D. D.
Mr James Collinson, Lancaster.
William Francks, Esq; Gerrard Street, Soho.
Mr Charles Coster, Bread-street Hill.
Reverend Herbert Mayo, D.D. Rector of St George's
in the East.
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